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1. APARTHEID COMITE MET AUGUST 17 TO DISCUSS, INTER ALIA, VISIT BY CHAIRMAN OGBU (NIGERIA) TO BONN. MANDATE OF VISITING GROUP REPORTEDLY IS TO CONSIDER FRG'S IMPLEMENTATIONS OF UN RESES CONCERNING APARTHEID IN SA. ACCORDING TO OGBU, SPEAKING AT AUGUST 17 MEETING, COMITE'S DELEGATION "DID NOT INTEND TO CONDEMN OR CRITICIZE THE BONN GOVERNMENT, BUT RATHER TO DISCUSS FRANKLY AND THOROUGHLY ALL ASPECTS OF INTERNATIONAL ACTION TO ELIMINATE APARTHEID IN SA AND THE GREAT ROLE THAT FRG COULD PLAY IN THAT ACTION. IN OTHER WORDS, DELEGATION WOULD TAKE A POSITIVE, RATHER THAN A NEGATIVE APPROACH."

2. OGBU CONTINUED, SPECIFYING MATTERS WHICH DELEGATION COULD BRING UP WITH FRG. FOR INSTANCE, THERE WERE REPORTS THAT "SOME MILITARY EQUIPMENT MANUFACTURED BY FRANCE WITH GERMAN COLLABORATION HAD BEEN SOLD TO SA, AND THE DELEGATION MIGHT

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PERHAPS ASK THE BONN GOVERNMENT TO CLOSE ANY SUCH LOOPHOLES

IN THE EMBARGO." "THE RAPID INCREASE IN INVESTMENTS BY FRG IN SA WAS PERHAPS EVEN MORE SERIOUS." ACCORDING TO OGBU, BONN MIGHT BE ASKED TO DISCOURAGE SUCH ECONOMIC COOPERATION, PARTICULARLY WITH REGARD TO LOANS TO SAG AND SA COMPANIES, AND TO ANY COLLABORATION BY GERMAN COMPANIES FOR MANUFACTURE OF SUPPLIES IN SA FOR DEFENSE FORCES. ADDITIONALLY, DELEGATION COULD URGE THAT BONN DISCOURAGE EMIGRATION TO SA AND THAT FRG CONTRIBUTE TO UN TRUST FUND FOR SA. LASTLY, DELEGATION MIGHT ARGUE THAT FRG UNDERTAKE TO PREVENT SA FROM GAINING ANY EEC CONCESSIONS. OGBU SUGGESTED THAT DELEGATION MIGHT TRY TO SECURE COMMUNIQUE OR STATEMENT IN WHICH FRG EXPRESSES ITS TOTAL ABHORRENCE OF APARTHEID AND UNDERTAKES TO CONSIDER MEASURES IN LINE WITH UN RESES CONCERNING ELIMINATION OF APARTHEID. COMITE DISCOURAGED EFFORTS BY OUCIF (ALGERIA) TO HAVE DELEGATION TRAVEL WITH INSTRUCTIONS REGARDING ACTION TO BE TAKEN SHOULD BONN REJECT ITS REQUESTS. CHAIRMAN AND NIGERIAN REP (EKONG) BELIEVED SUCH WAS BOTH OVERLY PESSIMISTIC AND PREMATURE.

3. OGBU, BARAKAT AHMAD (INDIA) RAPPORTEUR, AND MEMBER OF SECRETARIAT PLANNING LEAVE NEW YORK NLT AUGUST 23. EXACT ETA BONN NOT YET FORMALIZED.

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